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Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks.

In the specification

Please insert the following paragraph at the top of page 2.

--The CD containing "21402-590C_US.txt" is herein incorporated by reference. This file was created on February 5, 2003. It is 2.09 MB in size.--

Please replace, at the end of the specification, the Sequence Listing submitted October 18, 2002 with the submitted substitute Sequence Listing.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821-1.825. If there are any questions regarding these amendments and remarks, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

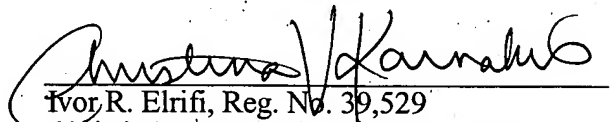
In response to the Notice To Comply mailed November 13, 2002, Applicants submit herein two (2) CDs containing a substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing, and one (1) CD containing a substitute computer readable form of the Sequence Listing, and a Statement in Support of the Substitute Computer Readable Form.

Also enclosed is a Petition for One Month Extension of Time and a check in the amount of \$55.00 (Check No. 15522) to cover the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1). This application is now entitled to small entity status. With the one-month extension of time, the response is due on or before February 13, 2002.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-290C (CURA-590).

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